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TO COMBAT NUCLEAR TERRORISM

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¶1. (U) Ambassador delivered the joint demarche with the Russian Ambassador to the Malagasy Minister of Foreign Affairs Marcel Ranjeva. The Minister promised to look at the declaration within the framework of existing treaties and Madagascar's position in SADC and the Indian Ocean. A response will be forthcoming within two weeks.

¶2. (SBU) While the Minister was broadly sympathetic with the goals of the initiative, he suggested that Madagascar's constrained financial and human resources would make it unlikely -- absent an explicit threat -- to be able to participate actively.

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